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MT. VERNON, KY.

KISSED AS A LOST BROTHER.

Divinity Student Has Novel Experience in Hotel Dining-Room in Chicago.

Edward O. Lansing, of Lockport, N. Y., who is a divinity student at the McCormick Theological seminary, 2323 Chicago women have a way of acting strange men that is "amazing." To prove the statement he tells the story of a case of mistaken identity which took place in the Stratford hotel the other evening.

Lansing was seated in the dining room when a woman rushed up to him, threw her arms around his neck and kissed him twice.

"Oh, I was sure that you would be here," she exclaimed as she released him from the embrace.

"Did you? That is quite surprising when I consider that I did not even know that I was coming myself until a few minutes ago," replied Lansing.

"I think that this is a pretty cool reception," said the woman.

"I'd like to know what you would call a warm reception if this is a cool one," replied Lansing.

"I am serious. Is that what I am to expect from you after all of my trouble in finding you?" asked the woman.

"I don't think that you had much trouble finding me. You seemed to know the first man you saw," said Lansing.

"Didn't you intend to meet me here as you agreed?" once more queried the woman.

"Most certainly not," replied Lansing, but he added, as he thought of his reception: "I am not sorry that I met you."

"Why did you wear the violet if you didn't intend to meet me?" she asked.

Lansing looked down to the lapel of his coat and then understood the mistake. The woman said her name was Dorothy Simpson and that she was to meet him at the hotel a brother whom she had not seen for ten years. He was to wear a bouquet of violets.

George Simpson, the missing brother, did not appear on the scene and Miss Simpson left the hotel.

"I am satisfied. I believe that I will find here every day with a bouquet of violets in my buttonhole," said Lansing as he left.

CANCER CURED!

Mr. W. W. Prickett, Smithfield, Ill., writes, Sept. 10th, 1903: "I had been suffering several years with a cancer on my face, which gave me great annoyance and unbearable itching. I was using Ballard's Snow Lintment for a sore leg, and through an accident, I rubbed some of the lintment on the cancer, and as it gave me almost instant relief, I decided to continue to use the lintment on the cancer. In a short time the cancer came out and my face healed up and there is not the slightest scar left. I have implicit faith in the merits of this preparation, and it cannot be too highly recommended." 25c, 50c and \$1.00, at Chas. C. Davis' drug store.

Dowie is talking of moving his "Zion" to Matagorda Island, near Aransas Pass, on the Southwest coast. If he does not like that locality which he is now inspecting, he may take his dupes to Australia. But why move? Chicago is as near heaven as any other place.

MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

One was pale pale a yellow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She, who is blushing with health, uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at all druggists.

BRODHEAD.

J. E. Wallin is at home for a few days.

Several of the boys went to Mt. Vernon Tuesday.

Born, to the wife of John Robins, a 10 pound boy.

G. A. Morgan was in this vicinity the first of the week.

Mr. I. R. Cass was at home from Crab Orchard, Sunday.

C. C. Calhoun has returned from a visit to Paris and Lexington.

Miss Lettie Brooks has returned home from Knoxville and Fallal-ette, Tenn.

Mr. R. H. Batson, of Lancaster, was the guest of the Cherry and Hinton families Sunday.

Miss Ellen Butler returned to Mt. Vernon, Sunday, after several days' visit to Mrs. J. R. Cass.

Messrs. John Nevius, of Stanford, and Lawrence VanAardale, of Louisville, were with friends here Sunday.

John Cress was in town Tuesday looking for a milk cow; he said, but John will buy anything that he can make a nickel on.

Uncle Josh Dann has contracted his farm on the State road, known as the Honk farm, to a man from Harlan county, for \$2,000.

Mr. Smith, traveling agent for the Mutual Life Insurance Co., was with Miss Ellen Butler in behalf of the work in this territory last week.

Sunday morning's storm struck us about half past 6 o'clock doing considerable damage to houses and small outbuildings. Fortunately no one was hurt.

Mrs. Bettie Sharp and son, Bud, will leave in a few days for Indian Territory, to make their future home. Their many friends regret their departure and they will be missed alike in the Church, Sunday-school and social circle.

AN EARLY RISER.

A strong, healthy, active constitution depends largely on the condition of the liver. The famous little pill known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers not only cleanse the system but they strengthen the action of the liver and rebuild the tissues supporting that organ. Little Early Risers are easy to act, they never gripe and yet they are absolutely certain to produce results that are satisfactory in all cases. Sold by Chas. C. Davis, druggist.

Two retired tradesmen, residing in the country, were discussing matters generally, when one asked: "How is your son doing in the city?" "Oh, he doesn't say much about his business," was the reply, "but he writes me that he's got a lot of friends." "That's very encouraging," remarked the other, "for it shows that he hasn't had to borrow money yet."

Impecunious. "Have you any idea what your father would say if I asked to marry you?"

Miss Rockey—"No, George Papa never uses that kind of language before me."

NEWS ITEMS.

The Navy department has ordered three warships to San Domingo.

Editor Hearst has mortgaged his newspaper properties for \$1,000,000.

On the second ballot the jury found George B. Warner guilty of the murder of Pulaski Leeds, and fixed the penalty at death.

The Confederate reunion will be held at Nashville, September 13, 14 and 15.

Senator Hanna's physicians announced that his illness is irregular typhoid fever. Confidence is expressed that he will recover.

W. W. Rowlett, editor of the New Era, published at Lagrange, Ky., and one of the oldest newspaper men in Kentucky, is dead.

Five students have been expelled from Princeton University for buying examination papers. Two men who were selling the papers are in jail.

The jury after being out half a day at Morgantown brought in a verdict of death for Verona Fleener the farmer charged with brutally stabbing his wife to death about three months ago.

The Kentucky committee which went to Washington in the interest of West Point as the army maneuver site, has returned to Louisville with the assurance that Secretary Taft favors the location, and that the entire State delegation is a unit in supporting the measure.

Miss Elizabeth Vanderbilt, 87 years old, daughter of Oliver Vanderbilt, who founded the first ferry between Staten Island and New York and a relative of Commodore Vanderbilt, is dead at the home of her niece in a small apartment on the upper West Side.

Negotiations are pending for the sale of ninety thousand acres of coal and timber land in Pike county, to New York and Rhode Island capitalists, for three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The land lies contiguous to the town of Williamsburg.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs has decided to recommend the appropriation of \$95,000,000 for the navy. An increase of 3,000 in the personnel of the navy will be recommended. The bill will authorize the construction of one new battleship and two armored cruisers.

Secretary of the Treasury Shaw sent out notices to national bank depositors holding special Government deposits to the effect that they may be called on within the next ten days to pay 20 per cent. of the amount on deposit, an equivalent of \$30,000,000, in order to meet the demands on account of the purchase of the Panama canal.

A syndicate of New York bankers has agreed to lend \$50,000,000 for the purpose of improving the Pennsylvania railroad lines west of Pittsburgh, taking therefor the company's notes bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest, the notes to be taken up in eighteen months. It is believed the deal contemplates the purchase of the Western Maryland railroad by the Norfolk and Western as a part of a plan for the settlement of the Gould-Pennsylvania differences.

WEAK AND LOW-SPIRITED.

A correspondent thus describes his experience: "I can strongly recommend Herbine as a medicine of remarkable efficacy for indigestion, loss of appetite, sour taste in the mouth, palpitation, headache, drowsiness after meals with distressing mental depression and low spirits. Herbine must be a unique preparation for cases such as mine, for a few doses entirely removed my complaint. I wonder at people going on suffering or spending their money on worthless things, when Herbine is procurable, and so cheap." 50c a bottle at Chas. C. Davis' drugstore.

Advisedly. "Say," whispered the secretary of the club, leaning over and speaking to the toastmaster in a whisper, "you introduced that old blowhard to the audience as our fellow townsman." Besides being unnecessarily cordial, fellow townsman is a repetition."

"Not in his case," responded the toastmaster. "A townsman that I respect I don't call a 'fellow.'"

LAND, STOCK AND CROP.

Terlure & Brown, of Mercer county, sold to Col. D. L. Moore 23 good cotton mules at \$139 each. Col. Moore shipped them to his plantation in Mississippi. — Danville News.

Wlarto Bros., at Keene, bought 1,000 bushels of wheat from J. W. Shields, at \$1 per bushel. This is the highest price that has been paid for wheat in Jessamine. — Jessamine Journal.

Brooks Clay bought of Simon Weil, 40 1,100 lb. steers at 45c. — F. F. Bedford bought of J. W. Weil, 103 head of feeding cattle, average weight 1,100 lbs., at 4 cts. — Bourbon News.

Wm. F. Hiatt sold a lot of corn to John Arnett, at \$2.75 a barrel delivered. — Joe Jordan, of Atlanta, purchased from Jake Brown, of Mercer, 17 yearling mules at \$87.50. — Woodford Sun.

Cowhead & Freeman cried a very fine sale for James Shropshire Wednesday. Sheep, \$6 a head; mules, \$40 to \$125; stock hogs, 5c. a pound; brood sows \$12 to \$20; 200 barrels of corn at an average of \$2.75 — Shelby Record.

Nat Collier, of Millersburg, bought of Will Lucky, of Colville, eight yearling steers at \$3.75 per cwt. — Bruce Steele sold to J. D. Booth two lots of tobacco, 12,000 pounds, at 11 cents, and 8,000 lbs., at 7 cents. — Paris Kentuckian.

Carpenter & Son purchased this week from Young Bros., of Cumberland county, 12 butcher cattle at 3 cts. — Chas. Caldwell bought at Kansas City Stock Yards last week 102 1,050 lb. cattle for \$3.65 per cwt. — Danville Advocate.

Mr. J. A. Wood, of this county, on January 12th, sold to Coruthers & Beards, of Lexington, 25 head of broke mules for \$3,070. — On Jan. 29th, Mr. Wood sold to the same parties 22 extra aged mules for \$3,315. — Owenton News-Herald.

Cash wheat sold at \$1 on the St. Louis Exchange Thursday, the highest price reached since the famous Leiter deal in 1898. Several reasons are given for the sudden rise, among them the war situation in the far East and the fact that the market is in the hands of speculators.

W. H. Gatewood, auctioneer, reports the sale of Moses Karack's personal property near Ewington, as follows: 75 barrels of corn at \$2.90; 12-year-old mare colt, \$29.50; buggy mare, \$80.25; bay mare, \$100; 75-lb. shoats, \$4.50 per cwt; 1,000 lbs. bacon, from 9 to 11 cents. — Mt. Sterling Gazette.

BETTER THAN GOLD.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c, with a guaranteed satisfaction.

Sold by all druggists.

Last year she deftly made the too And drove the ball with skill and grace;

A skillful maid of golf was she With pretty sun-burned arms and face.

This year she still is making tea— With catnip though instead of sand;

She tries to drive the bowl, but see 'Tis just a satire in her hand.

RELIEF IN ONE MINUTE. One Minute Cough Cure gives relief in one minute, because it kills the microbe which tickles the mucous membrane, causing the cough and at the same time clears the phlegm, draws out the inflammation and heals and soothes the affected parts. One Minute Cough Cure strengthens the lungs, wards off pneumonia and is a harmless and never failing cure in all curable cases of coughs, colds and croup. One Minute Cough Cure is pleasant to take, harmless and good alike for young and old. Sold by Chas. C. Davis, the druggist.

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BALTIMORE FIRE.

The Greatest in the History of America—Loss Will be Upwards of \$200,000,000.

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The terrible conflagration which swept over Baltimore, Md., Sunday destroyed 2,500 buildings right in the heart of the city and the estimated loss will foot up to something over \$200,000,000, which is the greatest fire this continent ever suffered. The next greatest was the Chicago fire, which occurred in 1871, when the loss was \$160,000,000.

New York City, Philadelphia, Washington City and Pittsburg and several other smaller cities all went to the aid of the stricken city with their fire departments, but so strong was the fire monster that it lapped up all in front of it and burned until the water's edge was reached.

Governor Warfield has declared a legal holiday, which will run for several days' duration, and the suspension of business will be of material benefit to the unfortunate merchants. Martial law has also been declared and every means will be exhausted to save what valuables that can be gotten out of the debris.

Government Engineers were sent for and they came with large amounts of gun cotton and dynamite and three charges were exploded in their attempts to stop the fury of the fire. Only one man lost his life in the catastrophe. He was a fireman from York, Pa.

The insurance companies of Baltimore are the hardest hit and they will probably have to go out of business, as they carried more risks than they will be anything like able to pay.

With the accustomed generous spirit the American people are coming to the aid of the sufferers.

HAVE YOU INDIGESTION? If you have indigestion, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure you. It has cured thousands. It is curing people every day—every hour. You owe it to yourself to give it a trial. You will continue to suffer until you do try it. There is no other combination of digestants that digest and rebuild at the same time. Kodol does both. Kodol cures, strengthens and rebuilds. Sold by Chas. C. Davis, druggist.

JOHN D. CARROLL.

A CANDIDATE FOR APPELLATE JUDGE OF THIS DISTRICT.

Hon. John D. Carroll, of New Castle, one of the best known lawyers in the State, has announced as a candidate for Appellate Judge in this District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

Mr. Carroll's friends—especially in the legal profession—have for a long time desired to see him on the bench of the highest court in the State. He has held several offices of trust and honor, and in all of them acquitted himself with credit.

When quite a young man he served two terms in the Legislature, was a member of the Constitutional Convention, and one of the three commissioners appointed by the Governor to revise the statute laws of the State to conform to the changes made by the constitution, and was for three years chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. He is the editor of Carroll's Kentucky Codes of practice and Carroll's Kentucky Statutes, law books that are in general use and that may be found in the office of every lawyer in the State.

A man of high integrity, great industry, with an extensive and accurate knowledge of the law, and in the prime of life, his large circle of friends believe he would make a splendid judge. —Trimble Democrat.

THE UNKIND WORD.

If I had known in the morning How woefully all the day The words I said.

Would trouble my mind I said when you went away, I had been more careful, darling, Nor give you needless pain: But we vex our own.

With a look and a top! We might never take back again.

For though in the quiet evening You may give me the kiss of peace, Yet well might it be That never for me The pain of the heart should cease.

How many go forth in the morning Who never come home at night, And hearts are broken For harsh words spoken, That sorrow can ne'er set right.

We have careful hearts for strangers, And smiles for the sometime guest, But oft for "our own" The bitter tone.

Though we love our own the best, Ah! lip with the curve impatient; Ah! brow with the look of scorn, 'Twere a cruel fate Were the night too late To undo the work of morn.

—[Margaret E. Sangster.

Sunday School Teacher—Now, Harry, can you tell me who Adam was? Harry (aged 5)—Yes, ma'am. He was the fellow that discovered the world.

GUN SULPHUR.

Miss Carrie Frith has returned from a visit to relatives at Stanford.

Mr. J. C. Forbes is making grand preparation for the World's Fair.

Mr. Will Lutes, who had the pneumonia for some time, is improving.

Mr. W. T. Brooks, of Hazel Patch, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Sallie Roberts.

Miss Sudie Roberts, one of our most popular young ladies, was in town Wednesday.

Died—Last week the little infant of Mr. Matt Hoskins. The bereaved parents have our sympathy.

Misses Belle and Ella May Roberts were the guests of Miss Lou Hayes at Crab Orchard last week.

Mrs. Andes, of Alton, who has been boarding with Mrs. F. J. Jones, has returned to her home.

Mr. Walter Wallin, who is working with the bridge crew, is at home on account of the illness of his wife.

Mr. Alex Smith, who bought the Brooks property, has purchased a grismill, and all who want good meal should try him.

Papa—Is that young Gidsmore a man of regular habits, Milly?

Milly—Well, papa, I should think so, anyway, he proposes regularly after church on Sunday!

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HON. D. L. MOORE.

Of Mercer county, is a candidate for Congress in the Eighth district, to succeed Hon. G. G. Gilbert, subject to the action of the Democratic party. Your support is earnestly solicited.

The Senate Committee on Internal Improvements has, with the unanimous concurrence of the full membership, made a favorable report on the Shadon turnpike bill, and expressed to the Senate the opinion that the measure ought to pass. While the bill is a lengthy one, with reference to all the details it covers, the principal purpose proposed is the construction of turnpikes between all county seats in the mountains of Kentucky. No State appropriation is provided, but the respective counties are required to furnish the money. With the exception of the fund which will be gotten from the sale of county public lands made seventy years ago. Several mountain counties were by a legislative act presented with all the public lands in such counties in 1832, and upon the sale of these lands the money obtained was to be devoted exclusively to road building, but the kind of road was not designated. None of the money thus secured was ever used for the construction of roads, and the Shadon bill provides for the use of this money as the Legislature of years ago intended. This money alone in some counties will be sufficient to construct the proposed roads. The interest will amount to more than the principal.

There are already three announced candidates in the field for the Appellate Judgeship for the Fifth district, which includes Rockcastle county, viz: Judge M. C. Sautley, of Stanford, Hon. John D. Carroll, of New Castle and Judge James E. Cantrill, of Georgetown, and the selection of either of the gentlemen named for the place would be no mistake. They are all able jurists and would at all times decide the important questions of law which would come before them according to the strict letter of the law.

WAR is on in the Far East, with Russia on the one side and Japan on the other. The bombardment of Port Arthur by the Japs was the formal declaration of war and the way the Japs went at it, disabling almost at the first attempt two of the best ships of the Russian Navy, shows the Russians that if they whip the Japs some mighty good fighting will have to be done.

Maj. A. T. Wood, of Mt. Sterling, was appointed Pension Agent for Kentucky. The many friends of Judge T. Z. Morrow, especially through this section of the State, were very anxious to see him get the place, but he was unfortunate in having the endorsement of Mr. Hunter instead of Mr. Yerkes.

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

The President appointed Maj. A. T. Wood, of Mt. Sterling, Pension Agent at Louisville.

John C. Eversole, of Booneville, will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress from the Eleventh District.

Sector Patterson, of Colorado, announced in a speech in the Senate that he would not press for a further indorsement of free coinage by the Democratic party.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations has decided to report favorably the bill appropriating \$400 for the erection of a monument over the grave of President Zachary Taylor and \$100 yearly to keep it in repair.

It is impossible to please our Republican friends. When the Hefflin Bill, the object of which was to disfranchise many negro voters, was pending, the Republican papers declared it was an outrage. The law was defeated in a Democratic Legislature and now they say the Democrats saved the negroes so they may be purchased and grumble because the Democrats did not pass it.—Winchester Democrat.

The following are the appropriations which have already and which will likely be made by the General Assembly: World's Fair, \$75,000; Geological Survey, \$15,000; The State Capital, \$100,000; Booneboro Monument, \$2,000; Confederate Home Improvements, \$57,000; The Kentucky Children's Home, \$15,000.

A delegation of citizens of the State Capitol called at the Executive Department and presented Gov. Beckham with a handsome gold pen with which he signed the Capitol Appropriation Bill. After use for this purpose the pen is to be presented to the Kentucky Historical Society for preservation in the rooms of the society.

The Bradley Bill, requiring the registration of all voters in towns from first to sixth class, inclusive, passed the State Senate and is now ready for the Governor's signature. The Senate passed the bill prohibiting the sale of stocks of goods in bulk without first notifying the creditors, and materially changed the Fish and Game Bill by striking out that portion creating a State Warden and leaving the appointment of county wardens to the County Judges. The bill creating a State Forestry Committee was defeated. The House spent most of its session in receiving reports from Committees.

SCRAPS

(BY JET)

Sunday School Teacher.—"Well, who was sorry at the return of the Prodigal Son?" Little Girl—"The fatted calf."

"Are you fond of horses?" she asked.

"Yes," he replied. "The horse is my hobby."

A man who was full of red liquor began with his good wife to bicker. But she with a poker knocked out the joker. When he tried to slug the liquor.

New Arrival.—"Will you pass the butter, please?" Old Hand.—"Everytime. Haven't intercepted it for months. You'll pass it, too, when you get acquainted with it." "You think I make some pretty bad breaks don't you, Fred," asked the young wife. Fred—"Ye, dear," he replied kindly; "but they're not like the breaks mother used to make."

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Country Parson.—"Do you take this woman for better or worse?"

Rube Bridgroom—"Wa-al, I swow, parson, now you've got me; her folks think I'm takin' her fer better, an' my folks think I'm takin' her fer worse."

Nan.—Isn't it a pity some nice young men could not get a glimpse of how we bachelor girls enjoy ourselves?

May.—Yes; but the only trouble is, if any nice young man came along we wouldn't remain bachelor girls.

Layzee.—My wife isn't exactly an anarchist, but she annoyed me this morning with one of her incendiary speeches.

Jenks.—You don't say so? Layzee.—Yes, she said: "Heury, get up this minute and make the fire."

Stell.—Tom and I were out driving last night, and I had to drive all the way.

Phyllis.—Why, what was the matter with Tom?

Stella.—Oh, nothing. You don't suppose he could drive with his feet, do you?

"You're forever trying to give the impression that you're a martyr," snapped Mrs. Henpeck. "I suppose you want everybody to think that you suffer in silence."

"No," replied Mr. Henpeck, "I suffer in the perpetual absence of silence. A little silence would be a positive pleasure to me."

"It was right here," said the old settler, pointing with his cane, "that I killed a big brown bear in '84."

"But I heard Fredman Jones say a little while ago," objected the other man, "that this part of the city was an open prairie when he came here."

"That's all right," said the old settler, "it was a prairie bear."

"A preacher," remarked the man who thinks himself a horn joke, "reminds me of a retired prizefighter."

"What's the answer?" queried the party who is somewhat dense. "They are both ex-poundingers," answered the alleged humorist, with a ghoulish grin.

On the Honeymoon.—"Dear me," said the young bride in the sleeper, "these berths are awfully crowded."

"Can't we get a flat, dear?"

"Who ever heard of a flat on a train?" chuckled her big husband.

"Why, you goose, I've often heard of flat cars."

Higgles.—Is there any truth in the report that your boss discharged you last week?

Muggins.—Yes; but I wouldn't mind it so much if he hadn't added insult to injury.

Higgles.—Why, how's that?

Muggins.—He advertised for a small boy to fill my place.

"It seems to me," said Mrs. Old castle, "that the proletariat is becoming more and more difficult to manage."

"Yes," replied her hostess, "Joseph thinks so too, but his idea is that if people wouldn't eat hearty just before going to bed very few of them would ever have it."

His Foot In It.—They were uttering the tender nonsense that succeeds the great question.

"And," said the girl bravely, "if poverty comes, we will face it together."

"Ah, dearest," he replied, "the mere sight of your face would scare the wolf away."

And ever since he has wondered why she returned his ring.

"And how is your husband getting along Auntie?" asked the kind-hearted lady of the old colored woman who had come for the clothes.

"He ain't powerful p'ly like missus," answered the sable aunt-dress. "He am done got de ex-clamatory rheumatism."

"You mean the inflammatory rheumatism, auntie," said the lady. "Ex-clamatory means to cry out."

"Den I done said it right missus," rejoined the queen of the wash board, "for he jes' hollaes all d time."

Harmless "Sweet" Words
A dictionary of innocuous expletives is to be compiled by the National Association for the suppression of Bad Language. Lord Wolseley is president of the association. These are some of the substitutes for real swearing that members of the association would be pleased to have uttered by the British public: Fudge, sugar, golly, gosh, ginger, crickey, John Robinson whoop-dee doo, hing, bang, bosh, Caesar's ghost, gee, my eye, tush pish, wow, and others which are to be coined.

PROFIT

The matter of feed is of tremendous importance to the farmer. Wrong feeding is loss. Right feeding is profit.

The up-to-date farmer knows what to feed his cows to get the most milk, his pigs to get the most pork, his hens to get the most eggs. Science.

But how about the children? Are they fed according to science, a bone food if bones are soft and undeveloped, a flesh and muscle food if they are thin and weak and a blood food if there is anemia?

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Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for February 14, 1904—Jesus Forgives Sins.

THE LESSON TEXT.—Mark 2:1-12. GOLDEN TEXT.—The Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins.—Mark 2:10.

OUTLINE OF SCRIPTURE SECTION.
Teaching tour.....Matt. 4:23-24
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The crowd was very dense, both in the house and about it, so that those who were bringing the sick man to Him, and who were likely to be a little late, could not even get near Him. "They came:" The relations and friends of the man. "The palsied:" A form of paralysis. "Borne of four:" Only four of those who came with him actually carried him. "When they could not..." they uncovered the roof. "When they could not, they did; there was no way, so they made one. They were not to be deterred by obstacles. Such determination is magnificent; of course they accomplished their purpose. "Broken it up:" Remember that the roofs of the small oriental houses were usually flat, and reached by a small outside staircase. They were made of rafters laid close together, then a layer of brushwood, and upon that 10 or 12 inches of solid earth. This, of course, could be dug through without seriously injuring the roof. Naturally the scribes who sat under the places where the digging was going on were not in the best frame of mind by the time the man was let down.

"Their faith:" Men who have out a way for themselves, in spite of all obstacles, do not do it without faith that success is possible, and that the struggle is worth while. These men had faith in Jesus. It was nothing mystical, perhaps not religious, but real. They had good reason to believe He would actually heal their friend, if He gave Him the chance. The sick man, too, had faith. "Son:" A sympathetic word. Matthew adds, be of good cheer; words calculated to increase the man's assurance. "Thy sins are forgiven:" Jesus saw in the man a desire for more than physical cure. He knew the man's heart, and saw that they were reconciled. "He blasphemeth:" He insults God. "Straightway..." perceiving: The scribes did not speak, but Jesus instantly felt their displeasure and knew what caused it. He would convince His critics of the truth of what He said about forgiveness by healing the man's body as his soul had been healed. "The Son of Man hath authority..." to forgive sins." When we consider that two elements enter into the question of forgiveness, namely, the heart of the sinner and the heart of God, and that God is waiting to forgive the instant the sinner is ready, we see that the meaning is that Jesus could with authority announce forgiveness of sins. Ordinary men cannot do this, because they have not the Divine knowledge of the hearts of men and the heart of God that Jesus had.

This incident is important as showing the beginning of the opposition of the orthodox religious teachers. As yet the cloud was no larger than a man's hand, but within two years it would be a storm which should break above His head and increase in fury till it had taken the life of the young man, Jesus of Nazareth, who "went about doing good."

"And he arose:" A demonstration of the power and authority of Jesus. "They were all amazed:" Including the scribes, who were probably most surprised of all. But demonstrations have little effect on those who are most interested in maintaining their old opinions than in getting at the truth. "And glorified God:" This cannot include the scribes. Jesus' influence among the common people was growing rapidly; the opposition of the religious aristocracy was solidifying no less rapidly.

Spear Points.
God's love is not intensified by our limitation of it.

You cannot hide poverty of thought with polysyllables.

The best in this world never find their best in this world.

It is not necessary to be irreverent in order to be reasonable.

Some men are praying God for a big harvest, but they don't think it worth while to enlarge the barn.

It is no use calling a man "brother" at the church door if you are not going to look on him as a brother at your own door.—Ran's Horn.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for February 14, 1904—Jesus Forgives Sins.

THE LESSON TEXT.—Mark 2:1-12. GOLDEN TEXT.—The Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins.—Mark 2:10.

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DOGS FIRED AS TORPEDOES.

Novel Experiment Made on Submerged Holland Boat Disproves Old Naval Theory.

An important test was made with one of the submarine torpedo boats a few days ago, which sets at rest an idea that it would be impossible for the crew of the submarine to escape if anything were to happen to the boat while submerged.

It was suggested that the men could escape through the torpedo tube at the bow of the boat, but many naval officers thought that this could not be accomplished without injury.

It was finally decided to have a test in this line, and two large dogs were secured as subjects of the test.

The Holland boat Shark, attached to the torpedo station, was selected for the test, and, under the command of Lieut. C. T. Nelson, went out in the bay. After being submerged one of the dogs was placed in the torpedo tube and a wooden rod placed behind the animal and the whole expelled in the same manner as would be a torpedo. Many thought that the force of the compressed air charge would kill the animal, but it came to the surface and swam around as if nothing had happened.

The other dog was then experimented on, and it likewise came to the surface unharmed. Both animals were picked up and taken back to the station.

The result of the test shows that in case of trouble with the boats under water the crew could find an exit in this manner and that the danger of injury would be very small.

OVERDUE "FISH" STORIES.

Tales of a Sea Serpent, Monster Oyster, and a Man-Eating Lobster Arrive and Complete Cycle.

While returning to his home late the other day William Blackman saw a long, dark object being tossed by the restless waves beating on the beach at Ventnor, N. J. At last one big comber left it stranded high on the sands.

Blackman approached. Before him lay a sea serpent 18 feet long and with a head 12 inches from ear to ear. Its mouth was the same size. The next morning it could not be found.

About the same time Richard Burdage, of Pleasantville, went oyster hunting in Lake's bay. After a mighty struggle he landed a bivalve, he says, which measured two feet in length, 11 inches across the back, 12 inches in depth and the meat in it weighed 24 pounds. All Pleasantville can bear witness that no oyster ever caught was its equal.

Then John Winder proved the rule of three and made the cycle complete. Winder is mate of the yacht Pittsburg and he pulled a lobster up on a codfish line, while fishing 20 miles off shore. It weighed, Winder says, 45 pounds.

"It was either a man-eater or the original lobster," says Winder. "All Atlantic City is aghast at these happenings."

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The Susquehanna river at York, Pa., is higher now than at any other time since 1875.

James McDonald, charged with the murder of Sarah Schaefer at Bedford, was brought to the Indiana Reformatory Wednesday morning for safe keeping. The Bedford officers believe he is guilty and say motive was assault.

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PERSONAL

Will Jones has returned to New York.

A large crowd attended court Monday.

Col. W. G. Welsh, of Stanford, is here today.

L. T. Stewart was reported very sick this week.

Supt. G. M. Ballard is in Lexington today.

Wilt Solen and David Griffith were here yesterday.

Dr. M. Pennington will return from Philadelphia Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Cooper are guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Thompson.

Mrs. Jarvis is with Judge Jarvis. They are stopping at the Miller House.

John Nevins and Lawrence Vandersdale, of Stanford, were here this week.

Mrs. Sue Butler, formerly of Wildie, is now living at Kingston, Madison county.

The Misses McFerron were guests of the Misses Hansel Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Willis Griffin fell Wednesday and bruised himself up considerably, but not seriously.

Mr. A. Pennington is thinking of going to Wilton to take charge of the hotel at that place.

S. N. Davis is making quite an improvement on his residence by building an addition to it.

Miss Hattie Brown, of London, who has been west for some time, returned to her home Tuesday.

Miss Alice Lewis returned from Howard, Kan., Wednesday. She will probably remain here all summer.

Miss Fannie Thompson, of Preachersville, is visiting her cousins, Misses Susie and Annie Thompson.

Judge T. Z. Morrow arrived yesterday. He is one of the attorneys for Capt. Bentley, whose case will be tried next week.

W. T. Davis and Neal Barrett appointed special bailiffs, went to Livingston, Tuesday, to summon several witnesses to appear before grand jury in the Bentley case.

Hon. Harve Helm, democratic candidate for Congress, was here Monday. He was given a hearty ovation by the large number of democrats, whom he met here.

Judge P. D. Culyer was here several days this week making arrangements to move back to Mt. Vernon. He rented the dwelling recently vacated by W. J. Sparks and hopes to be back within the next forty days.

LOCAL

Wm. Poynter sold 15 50lb. shoth. to Isaac Bowman for \$25.25.

Now is the time to join the Mt. Vernon Mutual Burial Association.

There will be services at the Baptist church, Sunday morning, and evening.

Mr. D. C. Edwards and Mr. Lida Hodge were married at London yesterday.

One of Gus Stavers' children has been very sick for several days but is improving now.

John Ed Pearce was at the College Chapel Monday night. A good sized audience heard him.

The Joplin property, which was advertised for sale Monday, by Dr. John M. Williams, was for some unknown reason, called off.

Lost.—Mrs. J. T. Tate lost between her home and Mt. Vernon, a hand satchel, containing a pair of glasses, a dress, 75cts in money and several other small things. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to Mrs. Tate.

Each and every person owing us we earnestly ask to please call and settle your account.

Houk & Adams.

Thomas Baker, of Brodhead, a K. C. brakeman was very seriously hurt at Brush Creek Saturday. Baker was on the mine run and as the train coming out from mines, stopped for the switch to be thrown, leading out on the main track, the caboose was standing on a 35 foot trussel, and Baker, thinking the train was on the main, stepped off. While very considerably bruised up, yet his condition is not considered dangerous.

Mr. S. C. Herrin has sold his farm in the western part of the county to Wm. Blanton and has bought a small farm near Wilburn, Pulaski county, to which place he will move March 1st. He and his son-in-law, L. E. Payne, will go into the mercantile business at Wilburn. Mr. Herrin is one of the good citizens of our county and we regret very much to lose him. Why is it so many of the good citizens leave the county?

If you have a farm or town property of any kind you wish sold or rented report same to the Rockcastle Real Estate Co., who will be glad to look after it for you. In case a sale is made a small commission will be charged and if no sale is made, there will be no cost to the owner. All lands placed in our hands will be thoroughly advertised. When in town drop in and read one of our contracts.

E. S. ALBRIGHT, Gen'l Mgr.

SIGNAL Office.

Chris McGuire was very seriously hurt by jumping from a train at Wildie last Sunday morning. As we get it, McGuire boarded a through freight train at Richmond Saturday night for Wildie, which was due to arrive there about 10 o'clock Sunday morning. When the train reached Wildie, it was going at the rate of about 40 miles an hour, yet McGuire made a leap, the result of which he was found lying on the ground, with one of his thighs broken in two places and considerably bruised up otherwise. His chances for recovery are very good.

GENTRY FAMILY.—It is reported that the next reunion of the Gentry family will likely be held in St. Louis during the coming Exposition. A St. Louis paper writing about famous families that will probably gather there during the Exposition, says of the Gentry family: "One of the most notable family gatherings ever held in the West was that of the Gentry family, in 1899. The Gentrys held a reunion in St. Louis county, not far from the present site of the World's Fair. There were two thousand of them, from Missouri, Kentucky and many other States. A family association was organized, and it is probable that another reunion will be arranged for the World's Fair, in which event the gathering cannot fail to be notable, as the family includes many persons of prominence."—There are a large number of the Gentry family, who live in this county.

One of the most dastardly crimes ever committed in Kentucky, was the assassination of W. B. Rucker at Danville last Thursday night. Rucker was night agent for the O. & C. railroad at that point, and having been on duty more than a day and night, lay down on the table to take a nap, his head being near the window, and while there, a few moments' needed rest, thinking not a harm or evil thought, a man living, some fiendish coward, who is lower than even the wild beasts of the field, for the paltry sum of a few dollars slipped out the window and placing the muzzle of his pistol within two feet of the unfortunate man's head, fired the fatal shot, that sent to eternity the soul of William Rucker. A reward was offered by the county Judge of Boyle county and also by Gov. Beckham for the arrest and conviction of the assassin, and while there have been some two or three arrests made of suspicious characters, yet there is considerable doubt as to either of the parties being the right one. Young Mr. Rucker was a native of Garrard county.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Circuit Court convened Monday with Judge M. L. Jarvis on the bench. This is Judge Jarvis' first court in this county and the second held since he was elected, and natu-

rally the people watched with much curiosity his proceedings, which we can truthfully and gladly say, are very complimentary. Judge Jarvis is one of the youngest, if not the youngest Circuit Judge in the State, and as we heard a number of the lawyers express it: "He is a number one judge."

Commonwealth's Attorney J. N. Sharp, who has long since won the confidence and good will of the people of this county because of his faithfulness and courage as a prosecutor and uprightness as a gentleman, is at his post of duty making a life hard for the law-breakers.

The following gentlemen were selected as jurors:

GRAND JURY.

Sam Fields, Daniel Griffin, Jas. Shrewsbury, Willis Sigman, Solly Griffin, F. P. Kirby, Thomas Mink, Reuben Hurley, D. N. Williams, Wash McClure, Jas. Baker and Zack Hansel.

PETIT JURY.

W. H. Fish, W. D. Livesay, J. L. Arnold, Thos. Taylor, Jr., I. A. Bowman, J. J. Cummins, Thos. Mink, Jno. Griffin, T. B. Lair, W. D. Mullins, P. W. Clark, Thomas Taylor, Sr., Peter Shotts, A. Renner, J. S. Lanford, Geo. Proctor, Jack Burk, Marshall Owens, Geo. Ketron, Geo. Parsons, J. D. Ham, Jno. Purcell, Mose McNew and Marshall Smith.

W. S. Robins, breach of the peace, one cent and the cost; H. W. McClure and W. M. Bullock, for obstructing justice, acquitted; W. M. Hansel, carrying concealed weapons, \$25 and the cost; George Gattiff, carrying concealed weapons, \$25 and the cost; Nathan Whitaker, gaming, \$25 and the cost; Dr. M. L. Bryant, for practicing medicine unlawfully, who was out on bond, failed to appear and he was fined \$50 and cost and his bond forfeited. W. B. Smith and John Riddle, of Pulaski county, are his bondsmen. The bond is \$100. Fritz Krueger, for obstructing one of the streets and public passways of the town of Mt. Vernon, fined \$25 and cost. Phil Northern, for assault and battery, \$25 and the cost.

The case against Henry Hellard for the killing of Drew, was called Tuesday, when both sides announced ready and the following jury was selected to try the case: J. S. Langford, Geo. Ketron, Jack Burke, George Parsons, Thomas Taylor, Jr., Thos. Taylor, Sr., W. D. Mullins, W. D. Livesay, Thos. Mink, J. D. Ham, John Cummins and Geo. Proctor.

The jury after being out six hours returned a verdict of 21 years in the pen.

Albert Robinson, breach of peace, \$5.00; Alex Allen, assault and battery, acquitted; John Anderson, pistol, \$25 and cost; Dick Chandler, pistol, \$25 and cost; W. H. Chas. teen, for selling malt extract, \$60.

The visiting attorneys: W. A. Morrow, W. T. Short, R. M. Johnson, W. L. Brown, of London, Louis Walker, of Lancaster, McC. Johnson, of Livingston, F. F. Bobbit, Mr. Settles, of Berea, and Jas. R. Cook, of Somerset.

The Grand Jury Wednesday returned an indictment against A. N. Bentley, Master Mechanic, for willful murder for the killing of Master of trains B. N. Roller at Livingston last October. The trial has been set for next Monday the 15.

The case against Joel Stittles charged with willful murder for the killing of Obe Mullins, was called yesterday afternoon, a jury was secured and the testimony begun late yesterday afternoon.

LEVEL GREEN

My failure to write for a while was caused by sickness. I have been confined to my room for quite a long while. Uncle Mart DeBord's condition is yet very precarious. Some days he seems to turn for the better, but this does not continue.

G. M. Sowder is selling out for Indian Territory. Wm J. DeBord purchased his farm for \$600.

George Smith bought the interest of DeBord in the store of DeBord & Latham, near Plato.

The "stave and heading" men are clearing hills and hollows of all white oak timber. Almost any kind of a white oak tree is worth a dollar.

Quite a goodly number of our farmers are not done gathering corn yet.

The legislature has been in session about half the term, and at last accounts had bro't forth one more little "pauper" whose name is Beckham. It does seem to me

that our law-makers could spend their time more profitably when we look closely at it the school and other much needed legislation, than in piling up more burdens on the "dear people."

Sunday's storm did but little damage to this part except in blowing down fences.

Our farmers in Possum Hollow will haul in more than \$100's worth of oats, grass and clover seed today. So long as all these have to be purchased abroad with flour and some bacon tacked on, our farmers cannot prosper as they should. A little more industry and some more economy would go a long way in the right direction. For corn to stand on the stalk and taters lie in the patch all winter—the one to be destroyed by birds and "tea mints" and the other to rot in the ground—are not good investments, no, not profitable. A part of my taters aint dug yet and I guess wont be now for they wont need't.

Very truly,
BUCK VARNON

QUAIL

Wm. Miller's family have been down with measles.

Roam Laws has been here with relatives from Indiana.

The widow Laws and son, Eugene, will go to Indiana soon to locate.

Thomas Taylor has been on the sick list.—Paul Miller, son of Will Miller has fever.

Oscar Hamm has moved back to his old home; and Oscar Stephens has moved to Pulaski.

J. M. Craig attended Stanford court. Monday and sold a good pair of mules to Mr. White.

Mat Miller, who has pneumonia fever, is improving slowly. Dr. Smith is waiting on him.

S. C. Herrin sold his farm to a Harlan county man for \$800, and bought in Pulaski for \$725. He will engage in selling goods at his new location.

George Marler bought a bunch of sheep.—Josiah Cummins bought of Kate Laws a mare for \$95.—Eugene Laws sold to Brad Cummins a horse for \$67.50.—Dean, of Garrard, bought 4 mules of John Riddle and Green Sowder at \$80 to \$100.

WILLIAMSBURG.

A protracted meeting will begin at the Baptist Church here next week.

Mrs. Anderson, of Louisville, is organizing a large Hive of the Ladies Maccabees at this place.

Mrs. J. L. Whitehead and her niece, Mrs. B. F. Steely, returned home last Monday, after a short visit in Louisville.

The Dunbar Bell Ringers performed here last Thursday evening before an immense audience and were highly applauded.

Radium and eggs have been so scarce and so high here that I have been compelled to do without one or the other for the last two months. When they get to be as plentiful as diamonds I shall be happy.

Before another decade passes Japan, which is to the map of the Eastern hemisphere about like a nit-fly buzzing at the flank of a donkey, will be the "Great Britain" of Asiatic waters, and may change the map of Asia.

ADJOINING COUNTIES

Up in Letcher county, recently a man was killed, his wife and three children were wounded and all the work of one bullet. Riley Webb was standing in his front door when Wile Shepherd fired at him with a Krag-Jorgenson rifle. The steel bullet went through Webb killing him instantly. The bullet struck a stone door facing shattering the stone and the pieces wounded Mrs. Webb, her two children and a neighbor's child who was standing near.

A meeting was called at Danville yesterday by the trustees of Central University for the purpose of electing a president to succeed the late Dr. Roberts. The names that are said to be most prominently mentioned are those of Rev. William E. McEwen, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, Pittsburg, Pa., Dr. H. B. Hobson, of Chicago, and that of Rev. Rutherford Douglass, who now holds an important church in Macon, Ga. All of these men are former Kentuckians and are of the highest standing in the church and the field of intellect.

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WORLD'S FAIR NEARLY READY

Plans For Installing Exhibits Complete, and Work Is Being Rapidly Pushed--Transportation Companies Have Solved the Problem of Carrying For Increased Freight Traffic.

WITH the opening days of 1904 work on the Louisiana Purchase Exposition passed into the last stage, that of installation of exhibits and beautifying.

Yet progress on these final touches has kept pace with the work of construction for a major portion of the last twelve months, so that the line of demarcation between actual building operations and final endearing is difficult to indicate. Thus, even while roofers were employed on the Palace of Machinery, the great steel crane, itself an exhibit, was swinging parts of engines that might well be called mammoth into position, so that the dawn of 1904

and other vizaria, transferring bare walls into places of enchantment.

By an arrangement recently made between a transportation company and the railroad it is believed there will be no delay in delivering the many train loads of exhibits within the gates of the Exposition. Extensive preparations have been perfected to handle all freight that comes into the city, and, in addition to service by a system of big draws--some propelled by steam, others drawn by horses--which is designed for the smaller shipments, car load lots will enter direct over the several switch lines that wind in and out between the buildings.

In order that no delay might be caused by severity of the weather the Exposition management looked especially to the construction of the roadbeds during the late fall of 1903, and now there is no danger that heavy rains will be stalled in soft, muddy places, but all can proceed on a smooth, hard surface to the place of destination.

Acting in accord with the general spirit of facilitating rapid installation, the Terminal Railroad Association, which controls all shipments of freight delivered by roads from the east, has doubled its capacity for handling freight in both the St. Louis and East St. Louis yards, and it is now believed that during the busiest weeks, which will undoubtedly be those of March and April, there will be no congestion across the two big bridges that span the Mississippi. Should there be, however, resort can be had to the ferry service, which also has been increased in order to care for any emergency.

Shippers all agree that freight is arriving in St. Louis better today than ever before, and this notwithstanding the fact that the terminal facilities are not quite completed and that a number of trucks cannot be operated because of laborers being engaged in their reconstruction. A recent test proved that a consignment of freight from Boston was delivered in a building on the Fair grounds seven days after its shipment from a warehouse in that eastern city, and all persons who have any knowledge of such matters must admit that this is very fair time.

As for the western roads, they all have spurs leading direct to the Exposition, and in many instances cars can be switched direct into the grounds without even a day's detention in the yards.

Those who have the work of delivering exhibits in charge say that they can keep pace with the men who do the installing, and that, unless the unforeseen occurs, there should be no delay in filling the palace with the exhibits that will comprise the wonderful display.

The situation is very satisfactory to all concerned, and the general belief is that St. Louis will not only have the greatest Exposition ever held, but will also give to the world the only Fair to be ready on time.

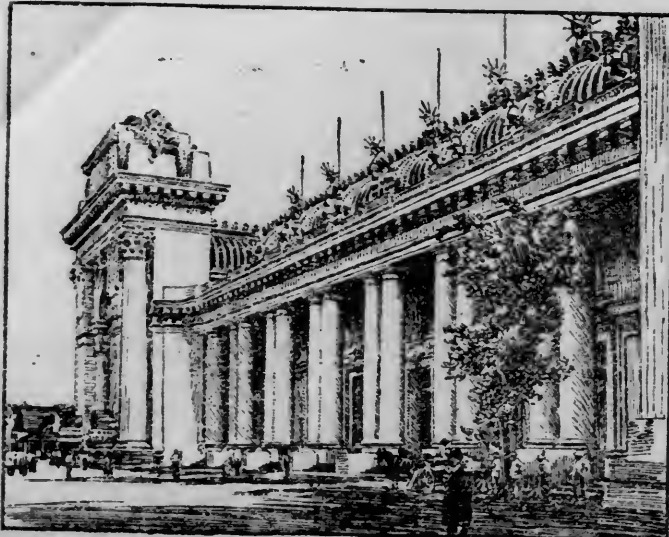
As for the beautifying of the Exposition, it is only a question of putting the men at work. Every plan has been made; all the preliminaries are com-



BERNARD FRANKLIN, IN FRONT OF THE ELECTRICITY BUILDING, WORLD'S FAIR, shows nearly all of these modern creators of force in position. And so it is on Agriculture hill. Nine months ago thousands of rosebushes were planted in order that they might gain strength from long tenure of the soil, and in the manner other exhibits of nurserymen were in place long before snow commenced to fall.

Tracks are laid in the huge Palace of Transportation, and turntables have been placed on solid concrete foundations. These are being burdened with locomotives of the latest construction and with modernly equipped coaches.

In other places floor space that has been marked off is being decorated



A FACADE OF THE LIBERAL ARTS PALACE, WORLD'S FAIR.

with handsome interior homes where various exhibitors will display their wares. And in many instances the wares themselves are being placed in position.

On Government hill several companies of soldiers are preparing for the mounting of the great rifled cannon that will make such a formidable display, and under supervision of men from the United States navy the deck of a modern warship is assuming interesting proportions.

Art hill shows the palace of stone and the two annexes ready to receive the paintings and works of bronze and marble.

No less forward are conditions on that interesting adjunct to this Universal Exposition, the Pike. All the large amusement buildings are practically complete, and within the walls now are stage carpenters, creators of illusions

pleted. The landscape gardeners have laid out the grounds to meet the approval of the most exacting critic, and it needs only the warm rains of spring to coax into bloom the seeds, bulbs and plants that within a week can be placed in the soil. In like manner the color scheme for the palaces has been definitely arranged, so that painters have but to follow instructions, and almost within a fortnight the beautiful buildings will shine resplendent in the holiday coats that they will wear for seven months, beginning April 30.

Long ago electric wire cables were laid throughout the site, and now it is but a matter of attaching the hundreds of thousands of globes which will illuminate both the water and the air so that at night the World's Fair City shall shine even more resplendent than during the day.

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RUSSIA'S SIDE OF THE QUESTION WHICH LED TO THE WAR WHICH IS NOW ON BETWEEN RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

A Dispatch from St. Petersburg, under date of Feb. 9th, says:

A lengthy official communication issued to-day gives the Russian account of the negotiations which led to the rupture. It says:

Last year the Tokyo cabinet, under the pretext of establishing the balance of power and a more settled order of things on the shores of the Pacific, submitted to the Imperial Government a proposal for a revision of the existing treaties with Korea. Russia, chosen and Viceroy Alex. III was charged to draw up a project for a new understanding with Japan in cooperation with the Russian Minister at Tokyo, who was entrusted with the negotiations with the Japanese Government. Although the exchange of views with the Tokyo Cabinet on this subject were of a friendly character, Japanese social circles and the local and foreign press, attempted in every way to produce a warlike opinion among the Japanese and to drive the Government into an armed conflict with Russia.

JAPAN'S AGGRESSION.

Under the influence thereof, the Tokyo Cabinet began to formulate greater and greater demands in the negotiations, at the same time asking most extensive measures to make the country ready for war. At these circumstances could not, of course, disturb Russia's equanimity, but they induced her to a so take military and naval measures. Nevertheless, to preserve peace in the Far East, Russia, so far as her incontestable rights and interests permitted, gave the necessary attention to the demands of the Tokyo Cabinet and did her utmost to recognize Japan's privileged commercial and economic position in the Korean peninsula, with the concession of the right to protect it by military force in the event of disturbances in that country. At the same time, while rigorously observing the humane principles of her policy regarding Korea, whose independence and integrity were guaranteed by previous understandings with Japan, and by treaties with other Powers, Russia insisted on three points:

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2.—On an understanding to use no part of Korea for strategic purposes, as the authorization of such action on the part of any foreign Powers was directly opposed to the principle of independence of Korea.
3.—On the preservation of the full freedom of navigation of the Straits of Korea.

The project elaborated in this sense did not satisfy the Japanese Government, which in its proposals not only declined to accept the conditions which appeared to be the guarantee of the independence of Korea, but also began at the same time to insist on provisions to be incorporated in a project regarding the question of Manchuria. Such demands on the part of Japan, naturally, were inadmissible, the question of Russia's position in Manchuria, concerning in the first place China, but also all the Powers having commercial interests in China. The Imperial Government, therefore, saw absolutely no reason to include in a special treaty with Japan regarding Korean affairs any provision concerning territory occupied by Russian troops.

RIGHTS IN MANCHURIA.

The Imperial Government, however, did not refuse, so long as the occupation of Manchuria lasts, to recognize both the sovereignty of the Emperor of China in Manchuria and also the rights acquired thereby by brother Powers through treaties with China. A declaration to this effect had already been made to the foreign cabinets. In view of this the Imperial Government, after charging its representatives at Tokyo to present its reply to the last proposal of Japan, was justified in expecting the Tokyo Cabinet to take into account the considerations set forth above and that it would appreciate the wisdom manifested by Russia to come to a peaceful understanding with Japan. Instead of this the Japanese Government, not even awaiting this reply, decided to break off negotiations and to suspend diplomatic relations. The Imperial Government, while laying on Japan the full responsibility for the consequences of such a course of action, will await the development of events and the moment it becomes necessary will take the most decisive measures for the protection of its rights and interests in the Far East.

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